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Madison, Wisconsin -- Stephen P. Sinnott, Acting United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that a federal grand jury sitting in Madison returned an indictment today charging Bryce R. Ksobiech, D.O.B. 6/25/80, of Shell Lake, Wisconsin, with knowingly stealing explosive materials, specifically, C-4 explosives. The grand jury also returned an indictment charging Scott E. Nyreen, D.O.B. 10/8/71, of Spooner, Wisconsin, with possession of the stolen explosive materials. Ksobiech and Nyreen both face a maximum penalty of ten years in federal prison.

The indictment of Ksobiech alleges that on June 8, 2002, while on reserve training at Fort McCoy, Wisconsin, Ksobiech knowingly stole less than two pounds of C-4 explosives and that Ksobiech later gave the explosives to Scott Nyreen. The indictment of Nyreen alleges that he used some of the explosives to clear stumps and sold the remaining explosives to another individual who surrendered the remaining explosives to law enforcement on January 12, 2005.

The charges against Ksobiech and Nyreen are the result of an investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Department of the Army.

Prosecution of these cases has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney David J. Reinhard.

You are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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